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### **Another Boko Haram Attack Leaves 44 Dead in Borno Village**

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By Michael Olugbode in Maiduguri

Gunmen suspected to be members of the outlawed Boko Haram sect in yet another reprisal attack on Tuesday night killed 44 persons and injured several others at Dumba Village on the outskirts of Baga, in Kukawa Local Government Area of Borno State.

Members of the sect, who have been forced to flee from their enclaves by the Borno Youth Vigilante Group and the security Joint Task Force in the state, have in the last couple of days been attacking Borno villages and killing people.

The sect alleged that the villagers have been assisting the security agents and as at the last count, over 100 persons have been killed in reprisal attacks on Baga, Konduga and Gwoza.

Sources told journalists yesterday that about 50 gunmen stormed Dumba Village during the Tuesday night deadly attack that resulted in the death of 44 villagers.

Many people were also said to have been injured in the ensuing melee. It was learnt that the gunmen also set fire on some houses in the village.

It was gathered in Maiduguri yesterday that rescue workers have been mobilized to the area with the aim of providing medical services and succour to the surviving victims.

“As I am speaking to you now, Red Cross officials and the Doctors without Borders are attending to the injured victims” a rescue workers with a federal government agency who pleaded anonymity told reporters yesterday.

According to him, the village has been deserted and the people are now taking refuge at the Baga Central Primary School.

A source at the National Emergency Management Agency who also confirmed the incident, said the agency has mobilized to the area to access the situation.

According to him, the agency will on Saturday (today) set up camps for the displaced victims.

The spokesman of the Joint Task Force, Lt. Col. Sagir Musa was not available for comment as at the time of filing this report last night.

In another development, two Boko Haram suspects who disguised as females in order to escape the wrath of the Civilian JTF were yesterday in Jimtilo Ward of Maiduguri Metropolis arrested.

The two were subsequently killed by a mob as they were trying to fight their way to freedom. Sources said their corpses were later dumped in Hausari Ward in the town.

It was gathered that the two suspects were on their way to Maiduguri to unleash terror, but they ran out of luck as they were intercepted by the vigilante youths at Jimtilo, which is about eight kilometres away and also a western entrance point to Maiduguri.

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